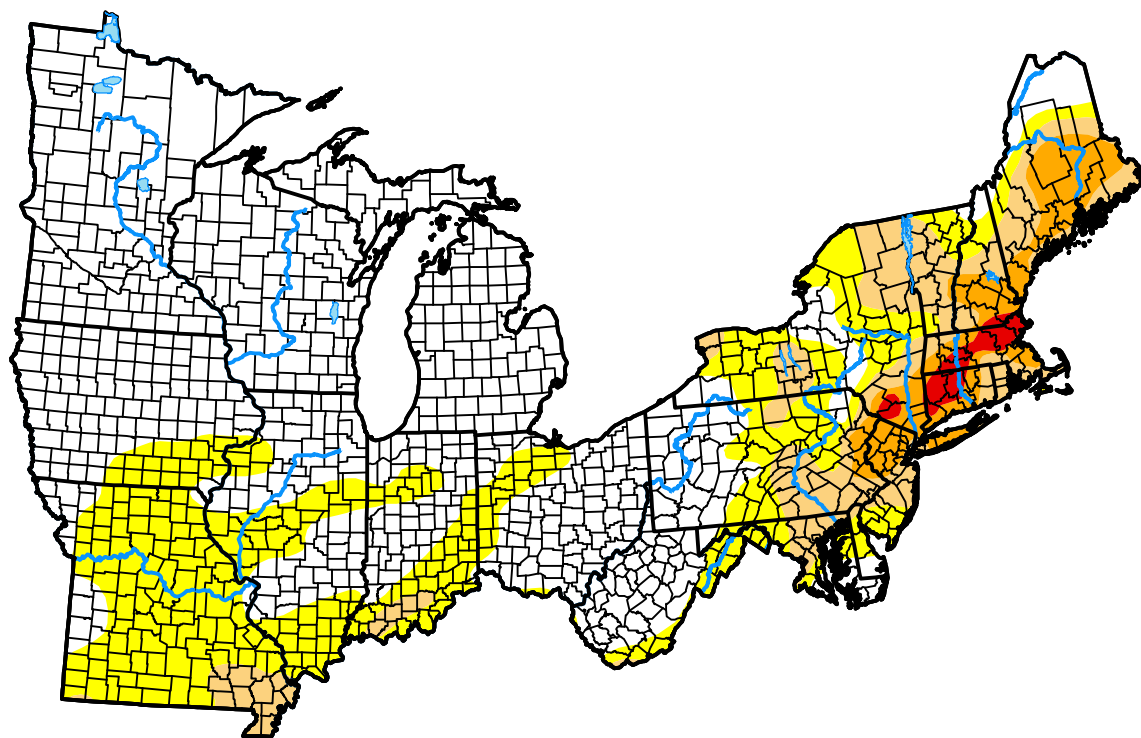


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Forests Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	60.46	39.54	15.02	5.35	0.95	0.00
Last Week 12-13-2016	58.95	41.05	18.01	5.77	1.04	0.00
3 Months Ago 09-20-2016	74.31	25.69	12.35	4.92	1.68	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-29-2015	79.37	20.63	3.80	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 09-27-2016	69.73	30.27	12.89	6.00	2.05	0.00
One Year Ago 12-22-2015	78.87	21.13	4.16	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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